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- 1. DISCUSSED THIS SUBJECT WITH CHIEF OF STAFF SHIHABI MARCH 23. HE SAID THAT IF WE COULD FURNISH HIM WITH SPECIFICS ABOUT THE PRECISE LOCATIONS AND PERSONALITIES INVOLVED, HE WOULD SEE WHAT MIGHT BE DONE ABOUT USING SYRIAN FORCES TO SUPRESS ALLEGED CULTIVATION.
- 2. SHIHABI SAID HE WAS SURPRISED THAT OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION WAS FEASIBLE IN THE BEQAA VALLEY SINCE HE HAD ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD THE OPIUM POPPY REQUIRED A HIGHER ALTITUDE. MURPHY UNQTE CONFIDENTIAL

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